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**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DRAWING CORRECTIONS**

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Sir:

The applicants request approval of the proposed drawing corrections shown in red ink on the attached copies of Figs. 4 and 10.

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